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Welcome

In this edition of Business Update, our monthly round-up of business-critical news and information from the Skills Funding Agency (SFA).

1. **National Apprenticeship Awards 2016: Open for Entries**
2. **Learning at Work Week 2016**

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1. National Apprenticeship Awards 2016: Open for Entries

Action

The [National Apprenticeship Awards 2016](#) are open for entries until **Friday 20 May**. The website is the only place you can submit your entry. It includes guidance documents and frequently asked questions (FAQs).

The very best entries will also have the additional bonus of featuring in the prestigious annual list of Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers.

Judges will look for exemplar apprentices who can demonstrate the difference they make to their organisation. They will also look for former apprentices with exceptional achievements who make every effort to champion apprenticeships.

For further information, please refer to the [National Apprenticeship Awards](#) page on GOV.UK.

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2. Learning at Work Week 2016

Information

[Learning at Work Week 2016](#), taking place from 16 – 22 May, aims to put the spotlight on the importance and benefits of learning and development.

This year's theme is 'connect' and employers are encouraged to run related activities such as:

Connect and Grow – develop opportunities for apprentices and new entrants to the business to gain a wider and deeper understanding of your business.

Connect and Address – create cross cutting teams and groups to collaborate on exploring and finding shared solutions to your challenges.

For more information on how to get involved, visit the [Learning at Work Week](#) website or email the [Campaign for Learning](#) team.

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